# 67-03-Disability Services Planning and Development

Fund/Agency: 001/67 Department of Family Services						
Personnel Services	\$187,850					
Operating Expenses	\$1,457,467					
Recovered Costs	\$0	CAPS Percentage of Agency Total				
Capital Equipment	\$0					
Total CAPS Cost:	\$1,645,317	1.0%				
Federal Revenue	\$35,309					
State Revenue	\$957,845					
User Fee Revenue	\$0					
Other Revenue	\$3,196					
Total Revenue:	\$996,350	99.0%				
Net CAPS Cost:	\$648,967	<ul><li>■ Disability Services Planning and Development</li><li>□ All Other Agency CAPS</li></ul>				
Positions/SYE involved in the delivery of this CAPS	3/3					

## **▶** CAPS Summary

Disability Services Planning and Development (DSPD) staff provide support to the Fairfax Area Disability Services Board (FA-DSB) in its oversight responsibilities, facilitate FA-DSB recommendations as appropriate, and assist in implementation of the mandate to conduct a comprehensive tri-annual needs assessment of persons with physical and sensory disabilities. Staff also respond to requests for information, assistance, and referral from persons with disabilities, their representatives, and service providers; monitor and provide technical assistance to County programs, services, and activities to ensure access and inclusion for persons with physical and sensory disabilities; and initiate, manage, and oversee specialized activities and programs that increase the social and economic self-sufficiency of people with disabilities. The Director serves as the Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator for the Department of Family Services, providing training and technical assistance to employees and supervisors.

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### Current staff priorities include:

- 1. Providing support to the Fairfax Area Disability Services Board in all of its activities, including its current emphases on housing, transportation, and employment issues.
- 2. Providing technical assistance and consultation to DFS clients and case managers on access and service issues that are related to the client's disability.
- 3. Providing information and support to Housing Advocates of Northern Virginia, a coalition of organizations, individuals, and agencies across five jurisdictions to identify, prioritize, and develop a full range of housing options for persons with disabilities. The first project, currently awaiting HUD 811 funding, is Coppermine Place in Herndon.
- 4. Addressing transportation and pedestrian issues for individuals with physical and sensory disabilities, including access, safety, and equity.

#### Method of Service Provision

DSPD contracts for services to persons with disabilities with the Northern Virginia Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons, Inc., and Brain Injury Services, Inc. (as part of the Statewide Head Injury Services Partnership), and administers State Rehabilitative Services Incentive Fund grants that come through the FA-DSB to local non-profit organizations. Staff respond to telephone, written, and e-mail requests from the public, service providers, and County staff; and provide consultation and training to County staff via telephone or in person. Staff also develop and disseminate numerous publications providing assistance and guidance to persons with disabilities and their service providers.

### Performance/Workload Related Data

Title	FY 1998 Actual	FY 1999 Actual	FY 2000 Actual	FY 2001 Estimate	FY 2002 Estimate
Head injured and hearing impaired persons served through Disability Services contracts	3,435	3,884	4,720	4,767	4,805
Cost per head injured and hearing impaired person served	\$351	\$309	\$255	\$341	\$281
Percent of head injured clients who have increased their level of independence during the year	94%	89%	90%	90%	90%
Percent change in the number of persons served through head injury and hearing impaired contracts	26%	12%	18%	1%	1%

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## ▶ Mandate Information

This CAPS is Federally or State mandated. The percentage of this CAPS' resources utilized to satisfy the mandate is 51 - 75%. The specific Federal or State code and a brief description of the code follows:

- Code of Virginia 51.5-47. Local Boards; appointment; membership and staff-Every county and city shall establish a local disability services board to provide input to State agencies on service needs and priorities of persons with physical and sensory disabilities, to provide information and resource referral to local governments regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act, and to provide other assistance as may be requested.
- Code of Virginia 51.5-48. Duties and responsibilities of local disability services boards-The local disability services board shall: assess the local services needs and advise appropriate State and local agencies; develop and make available a report of local service needs and priorities; serve as a catalyst for the development of public and private funding sources; develop requests to the rehabilitative services incentive fund when local funding for match is identified; and administer the incentive funds, if received.